

COUNTRY

REPORT NO.

TOPIC

General Military Information

EVALUATION 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 16 to 31 October 1952

DATE OBTAINED 25X1 DATE PREPARED 25 November 1952

REFERENCES 25X1

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS 25X1 25X1

DO NOT CIRCULATE

25X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

1. During the night of 21 October 1952, three trains arrived at the Bernau (N 53/Z 96) freight station.

The rail cars carrying billeting equipment and other materiel were dispatched to the spur track of the former Army Clothing Depot I on Weissenseer Strasse and were unloaded there. The escorting personnel were quartered in a building of the clothing depot which had a capacity of about 900 soldiers. Part of these troops was subordinate to Major Markin (phonetic spelling) (fau). At 3 p.m. on 22 October, another train consisting of about 10 boxcars and 10 flatcars carrying about 8 AT guns of about 100-mm caliber was seen at the Bernau freight station. At 2 a.m. on 21 October, Colonel Aleksin or Alekseyev (phonetic spelling) (fau) inspected the quarters at the Army Clothing Depot I. Source learned, that he was the commanding officer of the troops quartered there, and, according to a Soviet, was "higher in rank than Colonel Khlopov (fau)".

25X1

2. On 23 October, 50 to 70 heavy AT guns were seen in the garages of the former Army Clothing Depot I in Bernau.

3. During the period from 26 to 31 October, the Loewen Kaserne in Doeberitz (N 53/Z 65), south of Highway No 103, was occupied to about 30 to 70 percent by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. About 500 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were discharged home during that period.

25X1

CLASSIFICATION SECRET

SECRET

25X1

25X1

- 2 - 25X1

25X1

25X1

4. In late October, residents in Falkenrehde, 2 km south of Wusternmark (N 53/4 55) and Linum, 16 km north of Nauen (N 53/1 45) were ordered to harvest their potatoes not later than 27 October because of maneuvers which would be held there. A worker at the Loewen Kaserne in Doberitz stated that the troops would depart for exercises close to the post in early November.<sup>3</sup>

25X1

5.

Source also noticed motorcycles, pontoons, a field forge and other engineer equipment. The train departed toward Spremberg, at 8:50 p.m.<sup>4</sup> Firing with live ammunition of heavy weapons was heard all day long.<sup>5</sup>

25X1

25X1

SECRET